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1. MFA/AID OFFICIALS (MARIKA FAHLEN AND FRANK BELFRAGE) INFORMED EMBASSY COUNSELOR THAT GOS DID NOT PLAN TO REPLY TO WALDHEIM LETTER ON IFAD CONTRIBUTIONS BECAUSE IT WAS A "CIRCULAR LETTER" AND HAD SO INSTRUCTED UN MISSION. MOREOVER, GOS DOES NOT PLAN TO INCREASE ITS CURRENT PLEDGE OF 100 MILLION SKR. BELFRAGE THOUGHT THAT SEVERAL INDUSTRIAL NATIONS--HE MENTIONED FRANCE SPECIFICALLY AND EXCLUDED US--COULD INCREASE THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS. SOME DISCUSSION HAD ALSO TAKEN PLACE WITHIN GOS ON THE POSSIBILITY OF SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM DRAWINGS FROM THE UN SPECIAL FUND TO WHICH SO FAR ONLY VENEZUELA AND ONE OTHER COUNTRY CONTRIBUTED, BELFRAGE CONTINUED, WHICH MIGHT BE CREDITED TO OPEC'S PLEDGES TO IFAD.

2. IT IS MFA/AID SPECULATION THAT NONE OF POTENTIAL CONTRIBUTORS, INCLUDING OPEC COUNTRIES, LIKELY TO PLEDGE ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS UNTIL PREPARATORY COMMISSION MEETING IN ROME IN LATE SEPTEMBER.

3. FAHLEN IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION INQUIRED IF US PLANNED TO CALL MEETING OF DAC SHOULD FUNDING SHORTFALL IMPASSE CONTINUE. EMBASSY COUNSELOR REPLIED HE HAD NOT INDICATION OF SUCH A MOVE. FAHLEN, ALONG WITH BELFRAGE, A LIKELY MEMBER OF GOS DELEGATION TO ROME MEETING, INQUIRED IF EMBASSY HAD ANY INDICATION HOW FORMATION OF IFAD SECRETARIAT MIGHT TURN OUT, IN VIEW OF POTENTIAL RIVALRY BETWEEN WORLD BANK, FAO AND WFC. AGAIN EMBASSY OFFICER REPLIED IN NEGATIVE BUT EXPRESSED HOPE THAT IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON THE MEETING AT SOME POINT BEFORE DEPARTURE GOS DELEGATION. SMITH

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